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5 years ago, on
my 18th birthday.

Uncle Carl
threw me
out of the
house.



I know
I shouldn't
have come
back here.



Wait.
I'm coming,
too.

Prigo,
I'm putting
Tess in
the car.





If only
I'd had the
power to
save you
then...



Oh, Angie.
My dear
friend...



Let's
get one
thing
straight.

She
wants to
get rid
of me...

To protect
our little
secret.

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You can
see Mom
because she
asked for
you.

But don't
forget
everyone
wants you
out of here!



That
dream
again...

Half
the
time...

My uncle
took Paige's
side and so
did everyone
I thought
were my
friends.

I got
all the
blame

5 years ago, Clay's
sister, Angie, died in
an accident. That's
when I lost
everyone I loved



Wouldn't
listen to
my side of
the story.

Even
Clay...







I'm sorry, Ivy.

I can't leave here with things in this state.

I have Dick to help me, so you don't have to worry so much.

But, Willa...

And to top it off, the only employee left is that guy!



Hic



I understand. I'll be careful.



Watch out for your crosses, you know me?

Don't let them walk all over you.



Mold in the hay

Paint peeling off the walls

Fifty cows...



What happened to it?

Is this really the same Circle H Ranch I knew?











Then
you'll
have to
go buy
supplies.

Please

Tally up
the estimate
for repairs
by tomorrow.

Everyone
else blamed
me, too.

No one
would
listen to
my side
of the
story.

Prige was
too afraid to
face what
she'd done.

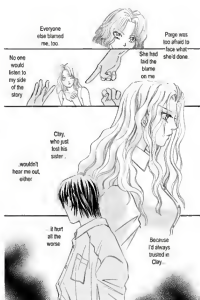
She had
laid the
blame
on me.

Clay,
who just
lost his
sister.

...wouldn't
hear me out,
either.

...it hurt
all the
more.

Because
I'd always
trusted in
Clay...









I know.
But Auntie
asked me to
help with the
ranch.

So I'm
gonna do
whatever
I can to
help her.

...
Tess is
a proud
woman.
She
wouldn't
accept
my help.



You're not
the kind
who
would put
them up to
something
like that.

I
under-
stand.

Well...
I just want
to say that
what
happened
back at
the diner...
I had
nothing
to do
with it.



Tess is
counting
on you to
fix up the
Circle H
Ranch?

Yeah.

Did you
talk to Paige?
I'll be
sticking
around for a
while.



What about you?
You live next to it,
but you never
thought to check
how the Circle H
was getting along?

That's
worse
than doing
nothing!

A month?
What can
you
possibly
do in that
time?

... can you
put
up with
me for
another
month,
until I
can find
someone
reliable to
take over?

I know
you don't
like seeing
me around,
but...







She's out
of my hair
for a little
while

Oh, yeah.
Paige went to
New York for
a modeling job



A letter
from
Paige?



Sign



Ugh.

I feel
dizzy.

I'm
exhausted.









I see.
That's enough.

This
is the
event! Take
a look!
Don't let
Paige's
stories
blind you!



Yes.
That's what
I came to talk
about.

Why
don't you
leave the
researching
to me?

I want to
get back to
Colorado
as soon as
possible.
As soon as
I find good
research
books, I'm
gone.



Because
you're working
so hard for
your age.

Why
are you
asking?



What are
you trying
to say?
Is this about
Paige accusing
me of wasting
money?
If you
cannot to
investigate,
follow me.



Indeed,
he believed
Paige's lie

Get back,
Clay.



...There's
no need
for that.

No! There
is!

Here's all the
research books.
Read them
for yourself!



























Great!

Nothing
would make
me happier
than
reconciling
with you.

It's
not too
late.

I don't want
to fight with
Clay anymore.

This is
plenty.
I have to
be happy
with this.



Thanks.
You were
really a
big help.

Yeah,
of course.

Will you
be okay
alone
tonight?

Well,
I'll
drop by
some-
time.



Even if
I tell the
truth now.

Clay
would
never
believe
me.

Angie
was my
best friend.
I would
never have
put her
in danger.

Clay
...



Let's
make
a fresh
start.

Willie... If it's not
too late, let's let
the past be water
under the bridge.

...

Lots of
kids go for
joyrides.

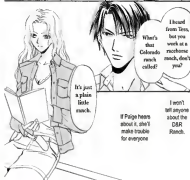
I know.
You were
just kids
back then,
Willie.



























After
5 long
years ..

Even
after the
accident ..

My
feelings
haven't
changed









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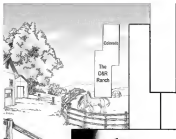




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But this
is anger
directed
at me



Because
I see Paper
gal away
with her
convincing
little plot

The risk
of losing
you the
other side
of anger

There's
something
I need
to look
once



Because
that's my
home













The Black Sheep The End

...love
you, too.

L...

Clay...

Yes, I
will.

Clay
...

I want
your
answer.

Will
you
marry
me?

So, will
you come
back to
Camden?



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